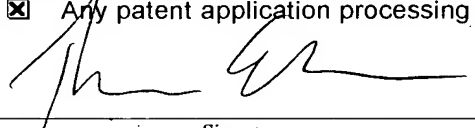

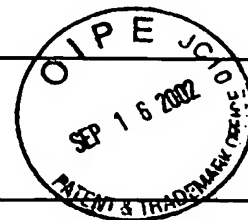
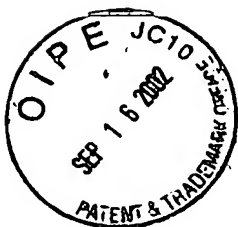


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Invention: TUBULAR COUPLING ELEMENT FOR PRODUCING A GLUED JOINT WITH A FLUID LINE					
<u>TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u>					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
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<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"><div><div style="text-align: center;"> _____ Signature Thomas E. Anderson, P.O. Reg. 31,318 Gifford, Krass, Groh, Sprinkle, Anderson & Citkowski, P.C. 280 North Old Woodward, Ste. 400 Birmingham, MI 48009 248-647-6000</div><div style="text-align: center;">RECEIVED SEP 23 2002 TC 1700</div></div><div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 300px;"><div style="text-align: center;">EXPRESS MAIL # EV123895971US</div><div><small>I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on Sept. 16, 2002 with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231. EXPRESS MAIL</small></div><div style="text-align: center;"> _____ Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence JANICE R. KUEHN _____ Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence</div></div></div>					





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Dear Sir:

Prior to the examination of this application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please replace the abstract previously filed with the new abstract submitted herewith.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the specification with the substitute specification submitted herewith.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 1-6.

Please add new claims 7-18 as follows:

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